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In the Claims

Please amend claims 1-7 as follows:

CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) ~~A retortable sealant composition comprising~~
pouch comprising a multilayer film having at least one sealant layer, wherein said sealant layer comprises :
 - i) at least a copolymer of propylene and α -olefins, said copolymer having a melting point less than 155°C when measured according to ASTM D 3418, and
 - ii) at least a copolymer of ethylene and alkyl acrylate, wherein the alkyl acrylate is present in an amount ranging from about 1 to less than 9 weight percent, relative to the weight of the sealant composition.
2. (Currently amended) ~~A pouch The composition of claim 1, wherein~~
the amount of alkyl acrylate present in said copolymer of ethylene and alkyl acrylate of said sealant layer ranges is present in an amount ranging from about 1 to about 8 weight percent, relative to the weight of the sealant composition.
3. (Currently amended) ~~The composition~~ A pouch of claim 1, wherein the alkyl acrylate is selected from the group consisting of methyl acrylate and butyl acrylate.
4. (Currently amended) ~~The composition~~ A pouch of claim 1, wherein the copolymer of propylene and α -olefins ~~shows~~ has a melting point less than ~~155~~ 148°C measured according to ASTM D 3418.
5. (Currently amended) ~~The composition~~ A pouch of claim 1, wherein the copolymer of propylene and α -olefins is selected from the group consisting of random copolymers of propylene and ethylene and terpolymers of propylene, ethylene and butene.
6. (Currently amended) ~~Retortable~~ A pouch of Claim 1 wherein said multilayer film comprising comprises at least one substrate layer and at least one sealant layer ~~comprising the sealant composition of claim 1.~~
7. (Currently amended) ~~Retortable packaging~~ A package having a lid and a sealant layer laminated to said lid, wherein said sealant layer comprises
 - i) at least a copolymer of propylene and α -olefins, said copolymer having a melting point less than 155°C when measured according to ASTM D 3418, and

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ii) at least a copolymer of ethylene and alkyl acrylate, wherein the alkyl acrylate is present in an amount ranging from about 1 to less than 9 weight percent, relative to the weight of the sealant composition comprising the retortable sealant composition of claim 1.